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CHAPTER XVI.

BEFORE THE STATUE.

It was right-dead night-and the silence lay on the Frowning City like a cloud, Secretly, as evil doers, Sir Henry Curtis, Umslopogans and myself threaded our way Umslopognas and myself threaded our way through the passages towards a by entrance to the great throne chamber. Once we were met by the fierce, rattling challenge of the sentry. I gave the countersugn and the man grounded his spear and let us pass. Also, we were officers of the queen's body quard, and in that capacity had a right to come and go unquestioned.

We gained the hall resafety. So empty and so still was it that even when we had passed, the sound of our footsters yet echoed

passed, the sound of our footsteps yet echoed up the lofty walls, vibrating faintly and still more faintly against the cavern roof, like ghosts of the footsteps of dead men haunting he place that once they trod,

It was an eerie spot, and it oppressed me.
The moon was full, and threw great pencils
and patches of light through the high, windowless openings in the walls, that lay pure and beautiful upon the blackness of the marble floor, like white flowers on a coffin. One of these silver arrows fell upon the statue of he sleeping Rademas, and of the angel form bent over him, illumining it, and a small cir-cle round it, with a soft, clear light, remind-ing me of that which Catholics illumine the

altars of their cathedrais.

Here by the statue we took our stand and waited—Sir Henry and I close together, Unitopogaas some paces off in the darkness, so that I could only just make out his towering outline leaning on the outline of an ax.

So long did we wait that I almost fell

asleep resting against the cold marble, but was suddenly aroused by hearing Curtis give a quick, catching breath. Then from far, far far away there came a little sound, as though the statues that lined the walls were whisper-It was the faint sweep of a lady's dress

nrif-ly ant but half doubting, stately and yet so weet. It was but a moment; but I then and named so to this hour; for indeed she

remained so to this poked more like an angel out of heaven than a loving, passionate, mortal woman. Low we howed before her, and then she spoke.

"I have come," she whispered, "but it was at great risk. Ye know not how I am watched. The priests watch me. Sorais watches me with those great eyes of hers, watches me with those great eyes of hers. My very guards are spies upon me.

My very guards are spies upon me. My very guards are spies upon me. Nasta watches me too. Oh, let him be care-ful!" and she stamped her foot. "Let him be careful; I am a woman, and therefore hard to drive. Ay, and I am a queen, too, and can still avenge. Let him be careful, I say, lest in place of giving him my hand I take his head," and she ended the outburst with a

gly and laughed.

After that she nodded prettily to us all, and casting one tender glance at her lover, glided cubu" (Curtis had taught her to call him off into the darkness like a beautiful vision. Incuba" (Cartis had taught her to can min ac). "Doubtless it is about business of the state, for I know that thou art ever full of great ideas and plans for my welfare and my people'ss. So, even as a queen should I have come, though I greatly fear the dark alone;" and again she haughed and gave him a glance from her gray eyes.

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At this point I thought it wise to move a At this point I thought it wise to move a little, since secrets "of the state" should not be made public property, but she would not let me go far, peremptorily stopping me within five yards or so, saying that she feared surprise. So it came to pass that, however anwillingly, I heard all that passed.

Nyleptha, "said Sir Henry, that I have a little jealous of my old friend's luck. Vanity, my sons, vanity of vanities!

On the following morning Good was interested for the happy occurrence, and positionaling.

be made public property, but she would not let me go far, peremptorily stopping me within five yards or so, saying that she foared surprise. So it came to pass that, however an willingly, I heard all that passed.

"Thou knowest, Nyleptha," said Sir Henry, "that it was for none of these things that I asked thee to me at this lonely place. Nyleptha, wasto not the time in pleasantry, but listen to me, for—I love thee."

As he said the words I saw her face break up, as it were, and change. The coquetry went out of it, and in its place there shoue a great light of love, which seemed to glorify it, and make it like that of the marble augel overhead. I could not help thinking that it must have been a touch of prophetic instinct which made the long dead Rademas limu in the features of the angel of his inspiring vision so strange a likeness of his own descendion so strange a likeness of his own descend-ant. Sir Henry also must have observed and been struck by the likeness, for, catching the look upon Nyleptha's face, he glanced quickly

is to the moonite statue, and then back again at his beloved.

"Thou sayest thou dost love me," she said, in a low voice, "and thy voice rings true; but how an I to know that thou dost speak the truth? Though," she wenton, with proud humility, and in the stately third person which would follow such an announcement at the moment would be altogether too great to face, and would very possibly, if so largely used by the Zu-Vendi, "I be as nothing in the eyes of my lord"—and she courtesied towards him—"who comes from among a wonderful people, to whom my people are but children, yet here am I a queen and a leader of men, and if I would go to a battle a hundred thousandspears shall sparkle my train like stars glimmering down the path of the bent moon. And although my beauty be a little thing in theeyesof my lord"—and she lifted her broidered skirt and courtesied again—"yet here among my own people am I held right fair; and ever since I was a woman the great lords of my kingdom have a woman the great lords of my kingdom have a woman the great lords of my kingdom have a woman the great lords of my kingdom have a woman the great lords of my kingdom have a woman the great lords of my kingdom have a woman the great lords of my kingdom have a woman the great lords of my kingdom have a woman the great lords of my kingdom have a woman the great lords of my kingdom have a woman the great lords of my kingdom have a woman the loves me, Nyleptha, a queen of the Zu-Vendi; and therefore would I say, that thou my lord, yet to me are they all."

"Ohl" she cried, with a sudden and thrilling change of voice, and u olifying her dignified mode of address—"oh, how can I know that thou wit not weary of me and seek thine own place again, leaving me desolate? Who is there to tell me but that thou lovest some other woman, some fair woman unknown to me, but who yet draws breath breath this same moon that shines on me to night? Tell me how an I to kingdom and the word of the word of having and the word of the word of the word of the word of the

there to tell me but that thou lovest some other woman, some fair woman unknown to me, but who yet draws breath beneath this same moon that shines on me to night? Tell me how am I to know? And she clasped her hands and stretched them out towards him, and looked appealingly into his face.

"Nyleptha," answered Sir Henry, adopting the Zu-Vendi way of speech, "I have told thee that I love thee; how am I to tell thee how much I love thee! Is there, then, a measure for love? Yet wid I try. I say not that I have never looke! upon another woman with

forward, soldier like words he asked her hand

his arguments were undoubtedly valid; and there was, looking at it from a political point there was, looking at it from a political point of view, everything to be said for the marriage. But, unfortunately, it is difficult to play the game of politics with the persons of young and lovely queens as though they were ivory effigies of themselves on a chess board. Nyleptha's face, while Agon spouted away, was a perfect study; she smiled, indeed, but beneath the smile it set like a stone, and here was began to flash eminously.

"Look!" he went on, pointing to the statue on which the moonlight played so brightly. "Thou seest that angel woman who rests her eyes began to flash ominously.

At last he stopped, and she prepared herself to answer. Before she did so, however, Sorais and thou seest how at her touch his soul flames up and shines out through his flesh, leaned toward her and said, in a voice sufficiently loud for me to catch what she said, "Bethink thee well, my sister, ere thou dost speak, for methinks that our thrones may even as a lamp at the touch of the fire; so is it with me and thee, Nyleptha. Thou hast awakened my soul and called it forth, and hang upon thy words."

Nyleptha made no answer, and with a shrug and a smile, Sornis leaned back again and listened. now, Nyleptha, it is not mine, not mine, but thine, and thine only. There is no more for me to say; in thy hands is my life." And he

Before the statue.

have believed a lie. And now hearken unto me, O man, who hath wandered here from far

to steal my heart and make me all thine own.

I put my hand upon thine band thus, and

thus I, whose lips have never kissed before, do kiss thee on the brow; and now by my hand,

eternal majesty of the Sun, I swear that for thee will I live and die. And I swear that I

will love thee and thee only till death, ay, and beyond-if, as thou sayest, there be a be-

yond-and that thy will shall be my will, and

thy ways my ways.
Oh, see, see, my lord! thou knowest not

how bumble is she who loves; I, who am a

queen, I kneel before thee; even at thy feet I do my homage; and the lovely impassioned creature flung herself down on her knees on the cold marble before him. And after that

she was in a most gracious mood, she took my hand and said that I was "her lord's" dear

friend, and therefore most dear to her-not a word for my own sake, you see. Next she

like queen favored Curtis in her own curious, inscrutable way much more than Good. Therefore it was a relief to him to learn that

his unconscious rival was permanently and satisfactorily attached in another direction. His face fell a little, however, when he was told that the whole thing was to be kept as secret as the dead, above all from Sorais for

leaned back against the pedestal of the statue, looking very pale, and his eyes shinme," she said. "that my poor hand should not only have been asked in marriage, but that Agon here should be so swift to pronounce ing, but proud and handsome as a god. Slowly, slowly she raised her head, and the blessing of the Sun upon my union. Me-thinks that in another minute he would have wed us fast ere the bride had said her say. Nasta, I thank thee, and I will bethink me of fixed her wonderful eyes, all alight with the greatness of her passion, full upon his face, as though to read his very soul. Then at last she spoke, low indeed, but clearly as a silver thy words, but now as yet I have no mind for marriage; that is a cup of which none know the taste until they begin to drink it. Again I thank thee, Nasta," and she made as though believe thee. Ill will be the day for thee, and for me also, if it be my fate to learn that I

she would rise.

The great lord's face turned almost as black as his beard with fury, for he knew that the words amounted to a final refusal of

"Thanks be to the queen for her gracious words," he said, restraining himself with difficulty and looking anything but grateful, "my heart shall surely treasure them. And now I crave another boon, namely, the royal and by that first and boly kiss, ay, by my people's weal and by my throne that like enough I shall lose for thee, by the name of my high house, by the sacred stone and by the leave to withdraw myself to my own poor cities in the north until such time as the cities in the north until such time as the queen shall say my suit nay or yea. Mayhap," he added, with a sneer, "the queen will be pleased to visit me there, and to bring with her these stranger lords," and he scowled darkly toward us. "It is but a poor country and a rough, but we are a hardy race of mountaineers, and there shall be gathered 30,000 swordsmen to shout a welcome to her."

This speech, which was almost a declara-tion of rebellion, was received in complete silence, but Nyleptha flushed up and an-swered it with spirit.

"Oh, surely, Nasta, I will come, and the strange lords in my train, and for every man of the mountaineers who calls the prince will

I really do not know what happened, for I could stand it no longer, and cleared off to refresh myself with a little of old Umslopogans' society, leaving them to settle it their own way, and a very long time they were of thy mountaineers who calls thee prince will I bring two from the lowlands who call me queen, and we will see which is the stanchest breed. Til then farewell."

The trumpets blared out, the queens rose, and the great assembly broke up in murmuring confusion, and for myself I went home with a heavy heart, foreseeing civil war. Curtis and the queen did not often meet, and exercised the utmost caution not to allow the true relation in which they stood to each rumors as hard to trace as a buzzing fly in a dark room, and yet quite as audible, began to hum round and round, and at last to settle on

THE STORM BREAKS. And now it was that the trouble which at first had been but a cloud as large as a man's hand began to loom very black and big upon our horizon, namely, Sorais' preference for and nearer; and so, poor fellow, did he. The

woman was not a thing that could in a general way be considered a calamity by any man; but, situated as Curtis was, it was a grievous burden to bear.

To begin with, Nyleptha, though altogether charming, was, it must be admitted, of a rather jealous disposition, and was somewhat apt to visit on her lover's head her indignation at the marks of what Alphonse would have called the "distinguished consideration" with which her royal sister favored him. Then the enforced secrecy of his relations to with which her royal sister favored him. Then the enforced secrecy of his relations to Nyleptha prevented Curtis from taking some opportunity of putting a stop, or trying to put a stop, to this false condition of affairs, by telling Serais, in a casual but confidential way, that he was going to marry her sister. A third sting in Sir Henry's honey was that he knew that Good was honestly and sincerely attached to the ominous looking, but most attractive, Lady of the Night. Indeed, poor Bougwan was wasting himself to a shadow of his fat and jolly self about her, his face getting so thin that his eyeglass would scarcely stick in it; while she, with a sort of careless coquetry, just gave him encouragement enough to keep him going, thinking, no doubt, that he might be useful as a stalking horse. I tried to give him a hint, in as delidoubt, that he might be useful as a stalking horse. I tried to give him a hint, in as delicate a way as I could, but he flew into a huff and would not listen to me; so I determined to let ill alone, for fear of making it worse. Poor Good! he really was very judicrous in his distress, and went in for all sorts of absurdities, under the belief that he was advancing his suit. One of them was the writing—with the assistance of one of the vancing his suit. One of them was the writing—with the assistance of one of the grave and reverend seignfors who instructed us, and who, whatever may have been the measure of his erudition, did not understand how to scan a line—of a most interminable Zu-Vendi love song, of which the continually recurring refrain was something about "I will kiss thee; oh yes, I will kiss thee!" Now among the Zu-Vendi it is a common and most harmless thing for young men to serenade ladies at night, as I believe they do in the southern countries of Europe, and sing all sorts of nonsensical songs to them.

Availing himself of this custom, Good bethought him that he would serenade Sorais, whose private apartments, together with those of her maidens, were exactly opposite our own, on the farther side of a narrow court yard which divided one section of the great palace from another. Accordingly,

great palace from another. Accordingly, having armed himself with a native zither, on which, being an adopt with the light guitar, he had easily learned to strum, he proceeded at midnight—the fashionable hour for this sort of caterwauling—to make night hidsons with his approximately. hands and stretched them out towards him, and looked appealingly into his face.

"Nyleptha," answered Sir Henry, adopting the Zu-Vendi way of speech, "I have told thee that I bove thee; how am I to tell thee how much I love thee; I shere, then, a measure for love! Yet will I try. I say not that I have never looked upon another woman with favor, but this I say, that I love thee with all my strength; that I love thee mow, and shall love thee till I grow cold in death, aye, and as I believe, beyond my death, and on and on forever; I say that thy voice is music to my ear, and thy touch as water to a thirsty land; that when thou art there the world is beauitful, and when I see thee not it is as though the light was dead. Oh, Nyleptha, I will never leave thee! Here and now, for thy dear sake, I will forget my poople and my father's house; yea, I renounce them all. By thy side will I live, Nyleptha, and at thy side will live and the l

we had no more serenading.

The whole thing formed a laughable in-

Then, before she could find words to answer, the High Priest Agon took up the tale, and in a speech of real eloquence and power pointed out the many advantages of the proposed alliance—how it would consolidate the kingdom; for Nasta's dominions, of which he was virtually king, were to Zu-Vendis much what Scotland used to be to England; how it would gratify the wild mountaineers and be with the more Sir Henry held off the more Sorais came on, as is not uncommon in such cases, till at last things got very queer indeed. Evidently she was, by some strange perversity of mind, quite blinded to the true state of the case; and I, for one, greatly dreaded the more of the more Sorais came on, as is not uncommon in such cases, till at last things got very queer indeed. Evidently she was, by some strange perversity of mind, quite blinded to the true state of the case; and I, for one, greatly dreaded the more sorais came on a laughable in the cident in a tragic business. would gratify the wild mountaineers and be popular among the soldiery, for Nasta was a famous general; how it would set her dynasty firmly on the throne, and would gain the blessing and approval of the "Sun," i. e., of the office of high priest, and so on. Many of sitting quietly talking over the situation, esing gone out hawking, Sir Henry and I were sitting quietly talking over the situation, especially with reference to Sorais, when a court messenger arrived with a written note which we with some difficulty decinhered, and which was to the effect that "the Queen Sorais commanded the attendance of the Lord Incubu in her private apartments, whither he would be conducted by the bearer."

bearer."

"On my word!" groaned Sir Henry.

"Can't you go instead, old fellow!"

"Not if I know it." I said with vigor. "I had rather face a wounded elephant with a shot gun. Wash up your own dirty dishes, my boy. If you will be so fascinating you must take the consequences. Ain't you just in for it now, that's all!"

"You remind me of when I was going to be flogged at school and the other boys came

to tremma me or when I was going to be flogged at school and the other boys came to console me," he said, gloomily. "What right has this confounded queen to command my attendance, I should like to know! I won't go."

"But you must; you are one of her officers and bound to obey her and she know it.

and bound to obey her, and she knows And after all it will soon be over."

I sat and waited, and at the end of about forty-five minutes he returned, looking a good deal worse than when he went.
"Give me something to drink," he said

hoarsely.

I got him a cup of wine, and asked what was the matter.
"What is the matter? Why, if ever there playing gently upon that zither of hers. I stood before her, and for a while she took no notice of me, but kept on playing and singing a little, and very sweet music it was. At last she looked up and smiled.

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ast she looked up and smiled.

"So thou art come" she said. 'I thought that perchance thou hadst gone about the Queen Nyleptha's business. Thou art ever on her business, and I doubt not a good servant and a true.'

"To this I merely powed and said I was "To this I merely powed and said I wa

there to receive the queen's word.

"Ah, yes, I would talk with thee, but be thou seated. I cannot lift my neck so high; thou seated. I cannot lift my neck so high; and she made room for me beside her on the thouse the continued inaction, thus far the continued inaction, thus far the continued inaction, thus far the continued inaction of Congress, the increasing the measure of their compression of their compressions of the continued inaction of Congress, the increasing the measure of their compressions of their compressions of the continued inaction of Congress, the increasing the measure of their compressions of the continued inaction of Congress, the increasing the measure of their compressions of the continued inaction of Congress, the increasing the measure of their compressions of the continued inaction of Congress, the increasing the measure of their compressions of the continued inaction of Congress, the increasing the measure of their compressions of the continued inaction of Congress, the increasing the measure of their compressions of the continued inaction of Congress, the increasing the measure of their compressions of the continued inaction of Congress, the increasing the measure of their compressions of the continued inaction of Congress, the increasing the measure of their compressions of the continued inaction of Congress, the increasing the measure of their compressions of the continued inaction of Congress, the increasing the measure of their compressions of the continued inaction of Congress, the increasing the measure of their compressions of the continued inaction of Congress, the increasing the measure of their compressions of the continued inaction of Congress, the increasing the measure of their compressions of the continued inaction of the continued inactio thou seated. I cannot lift my neck so high, and she made room for me beside her on the couch, placing herself with her back against the end, so as to have a view of my face.

"'It is not meet,' I said, 'that I should make which should be fully realized, and myself squal with the queen.' myself equal with the queen.'
"'I said be seated,' was her answer; so I sat

down, and she set to work to look at me with those dark eyes of hers. There she sat, like an try, it is but a result growing out of a those dark eyes of hers. There she sat, like an incarnate spirit of beauty, hardly talking at all, and when she did, very low, but all the while looking at me. There was a white flower in her black hair, and I tried to keep my eyes on it and count the petals, but it was of no use. At last, whether it was her gaze, or the perfume on her hair, or what I do not know, but I began to feel as though I was being mesmerized. At last she roused her-

"Incubu, she said, 'lovest thou power?"
"I replied that I supposed all men loved power of one sort or another.
"Thou shalt have it,' she said. 'Lovest 'Lovest' it so that every honest man must see that it is an honest act.

thou wealth?
"I said I liked wealth for what it brought.
"Thou shalt have it,' she said. 'And lovest

choose my words—'because you are putting us both in an awkward position. I am going to marry your sister Nyleptha, Sorais, and I "Next moment it struck me that I had said an awful thing, and I looked up to see the results. When I spoke, Sorais' face was hidden in her hands, and as my words reached her she slowly raised it, and I shrank back dismayed. It was ashy white, and her eyes were flaming. She got on to her feet and seemed to be choking, but the awful thing was that she was so quiet about it all. Once she looked at a side table on which lay a dagger, and from it to me, as though she thought of killing me; but she did not take it up. At last she spoke one word, and one only—""Go!"

zens, who buy the domestic articles of the same class, pay a sum at least ap- markable for a bold, outspoken discloscup of wine, there's a good fellow, and tell me what is to be done."

I shook my head, for the affair was indeed

Berious. As one of the poets says, He'l hath no fury like a woman scorned, more especially if the woman is a queen and a Sorais, and indeed I teared the very worst, including imminent danger to ourselves. "Nyleptha must be told of all this at once," I said, "and perhaps I had better tell her;

"Very well, then, there will be no chance of her being got at. Don't look surprised. I don't think that her sister would stick at that. I suppose one must tell Good of what has happened."

"Oh, I don't know," said Sir Henry. "It would hurt his feelings, poor fellow! You see, he takes a lively personal interest in Sorais."

see, he takes a lively personal interest in startage of the starting starting and after all perhaps there is no need to tell him. He will find out the truth soon enough. Now, you mark my the truth soon enough. Now, the satisfing up in the north there, and there will be such a war as has not been known in Zu-Vendis for centures. Look there!" and I pointed to two court messengers who were speeding away from the door of the seeming of his wages; and it ran up a stairway into an outlook out over the palace wall. The first thing we saw was one of the messengers speeding towards the temple, bearing, without doubt, the temple, bearing, without doubt, the off the other I searched in vain. Presently, it can be temple, bearing, without doubt, the offer the other I searched in vain. Presently, it may be a starting the content of the city and in him I recognised the other messenger.

"All Fi said, "Surabis is a woman of spirit, it is claimed to be and sold, and hard. You have insulted her, my boy, and blood will flow in rivers before the stain is weaked away, and yours with it if she can a large increase in a life of the city. It is all the profit of the city and hard. You have insulted her, my boy, and blood will flow in rivers before the stain is weaked away, and yours with it if she can be a life of the city and hard. You have insulted her, my boy, and blood will flow in rivers before the stain is weaked away, and yours with it if she can be a life of the city and hard. You have insulted her, my boy, and blood will flow in rivers before the stain is weaked away, and yours with it if she can be a life of the city and hard. You have insulted her, my boy and blood will

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

A few Extracts Upon Salient Points FUNCTION OF THE TREASURY.

When we consider that the theory o ur institutions guarantees to every citizen the full enjoyment of all the fruits of his industry and enterprise, of the Congress great labor and care, with only such deduction as may be his share toward the careful and economical maintenance of the Government which protects him, it is plain that the exaction of more than this is indefensible extortion, and a culpable betrayal of American fairness and Jus tice. This wrong inflicted upon those who bear the burden of pational taxation, like other wrongs, multiplies a the theories of protection and free brood of evil consequences. The publicade. This savors too much of bandylic Treasury, which should only exist ing epithets. It is a condition which as a conduit conveying the people's confronts us-not a theory. Relief

tribute to its legitimate objects of ex- from this condition may involve a penditure, becomes a hoarding place slight reduction of the advantages for money needlessly withdrawn from "That's just what they used to say," he said again. "I only hope she won't put a knife into me. I believe that she is quite capable of it." And off he started very faintheartedly, and no wonder.

I trade and the people's use, thus cripbling our national energies, suspending our country's development, preventing finested the people's use, thus cripbling our national energies, suspending the question of free trade is absolutely investment in productive enterprise. trade and the people's use, thus cripthreatening fluancial disturbance, and made in certain quarters, that all efforts inviting schemes of public plunder.

THE RESPONSIBILITY. I have deemed it my duty to bring to the knowledge of my countrymen,as well as to the attention of their repredition of financial distress and apprebension since your last adjournment dustries, without danger to the opportuthority and expedients within execu- working men need, and with benefit to tive control, and these appear now to them and all our people, by cheapen-be exhausted. If disaster results from ing their means of all subsistence and

though it presents features of wrong to

present situation demands a remedy we can only be saved from a like preof its cause.

Our present tariff laws, the vicious, inequitable, and illogical source of un-"To this I replied that I was very fond of statuary and architecture, or something of that sort, at which she frowned, and there was a pause. By this time my nerves were on such a stretch that I was shaking like a leaf. I know that something awful was going to happen, but she held me under a kind of spell, and I could not help myself.

"Incubu, she said at length 'wouldst thou be a king! Listen, wouldst thou be a king! Listen, wouldst thou be a king! A listen, wouldst thou be a king of all Zu-Vendisay and husband of Sorais of the Night. Nay, peace, and hear me, to no man among my people had I thus opened out my secret heart, but thou art an outlander, and therefore do I speak without shame, knowing all I have to offer and how hard it had been to thee to ask. See, a crown lies at thy feet, my lord Incubu, and with that fortune a woman whom some have wished to woo. Now mayst thou answer.'

"Oh, Sorais,' I said, 'pray do not speak these taxed articles and sell them at a only one single question of national innecessary taxation, ought to be at once these taxed articles and sell them at a only one single question of national inprice equal to that demanded for the imported goods that have paid customs duty. So it happens that while comparatively a few use the imported artiduty. So it happens that while comparatively a few use the imported articles, millions of our people, who never use and never saw any of the foreign products, purchase and use things of the same kind made in this country, and pay therefor nearly or quite the stands upon its natural lines of advance-contact and articles, with the banner of Revenue and articles, with the banner of Revenue and attack with the ba same enhanced price which the duty ment and attack, with the banner of Revadds to the imported articles. Those enue Reform fully unfuried and its prop-

> proximately equal to this duty to the ure of a novel policy, hitherto opposed or ignored by both political parties. It is still more remarkable that Mr. Cleve-NECESSARY FOR REVENUE.
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> It is not proposed to entirely relieve the country of this taxation. It must eve of a contest for the Presidency. So ties, Court of Appeals and Super court. Prompt attention to all kinds of gal busicess. be extensively continued as the source of the Government income; and in a readjustment of our tariff the interests of American labor engaged in manufacture should be carfully considered, as well as the preservation of our manufacture. informidable rivairy in both home and foreign markets. We have confidence however, in the laws by which, when trade is free, every nation discovers its fittest work and turns its advantages to facturers. It may be called protection, or by any other name, but relief from the hardships and dangers of our present tariff laws should be devised with especial precaution against imperiling the existence of our manufacturing in-

charged thereon into the public treasury, but the great majority of our citi-

who buy imports pay the duty er chief in the saddle.

Just stop where you are, old fellow, and try to get your nerves straight again. You'll need them all, I can tell you, unless I have observed human nature in the rough for fifty years for nothing." And off I went accordingly. obliged in a purchase for family use of an article which embraces his own labor, to return in the payment of the increase in price which the tariff permits, the hard-earned compensation of many the hard-earned compensation of many

days of toil. DIFFICULT. The difficulty attending a wi-e and fair revision of our tariff laws is not under-estimated. It will require on the part

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